C-482 No. 170 of 2004

Hon'ble Irshad Hussain, J.

Heard Sri Yogesh Pandey learned counsel for the applicant and learned A.G.A. Perused the record.

The petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (for short 'Code') filed with the prayer to direct the respondent no.1 to expedite the disposal of the criminal case no. 1278/2003 under section 138 of the Negotiable Instrument Act. The applicant alleged that due to pendency of the said criminal case since 2000, his right of speedy legal remedy has been infringed. Attention was drawn by the learned counsel for the applicant to the order dated 29.1.2004 where a reference has been made to the summoning order dated 1.7.2000. it is thus obvious that the case is pending disposal since the year 2000 and therefore the prayer made in the petition is just and proper and the same may be made by way of this petition.

The petition is allowed. The respondent no.1 is directed to expedite the criminal case no. 1278/2003, preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

(Irshad Hussain, J.)

Dated:15-4-2004
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